

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on February 2, 2017 at 2:00 P.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Jon A. Knokey (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Randy Brodehl, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch
Sherri Row, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 209, 1/31/2017; HB 230, 1/31/2017; HB 255, 1/31/2017

00:01:23 Chair Ballance

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00:01:54 Rep. Dudik

00:02:11 Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

00:02:58 Rep. Cook

00:03:23 Chair Ballance

HEARING ON HB 209

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:04:03 Rep. Barry Usher (R), HD 40, opened the hearing on HB 209, Extend funding to Coal Board.

00:07:02 Vice Chair Brodehl joined the meeting

00:09:39 Rep. Hopkins joined the meeting

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:38 Dave Galt, Montana Association of Oil, Gas and Coal Counties

00:11:04 Bob Gilbert, Colstrip, Rosebud County, Musselshell County, Glendive, Phillips County

Opponents' Testimony:

00:12:18 Doug Mitchell, Montana Department of Commerce (COM)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:14:37 Rep. Woods

00:15:00 Rep. Usher

00:15:54 Rep. Woods

00:16:22 Chair Ballance

00:16:34 Sam Shaffer, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

00:17:22 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:18:46 Sam Shaffer, LFD

00:19:22 Rep. Cook

00:19:51 Sam Shaffer, LFD

00:19:59 Rep. Cook

00:20:05 Rep. Knokey

00:20:45 Doug Mitchell, COM

00:21:17 Rep. Knokey

00:21:24 Doug Mitchell, COM

00:23:27 Rep. Glimm

00:24:14 Rep. Ryan

00:24:31 Rep. Glimm

00:25:06 Rep. Ryan

00:25:26 Doug Mitchell, COM

00:26:33 Rep. Ryan

00:26:40 Doug Mitchell, COM

00:26:55 Chair Ballance

00:27:48 Doug Mitchell, COM

Closing by Sponsor:

00:28:09 Rep. Usher

HEARING ON HB 230

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:29:12 Rep. Donald Jones (R), HD 46, opened the hearing on HB 230, Require certain costs paid to detention centers be based on actual costs.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:29:58 Dave Galt, Montana Sheriff's and Peace Officer's Association (MSPOA)

00:31:12 Eric Bryson, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:32:20 Sheriff Mike Linder, Yellowstone County

00:33:05 Sheriff Chuck Curry, Flathead County

00:33:54 Sheriff Brian Gootkin, Gallatin County

00:34:19 Rep. Usher, HD 40

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:35:44 Vice Chair Brodehl

00:36:59 Sheriff Chuck Curry, Flathead County

00:37:45 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:38:12 Rep. Jones

00:38:22 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:40:52 Sheriff Mike Linder, Yellowstone County

00:41:00 Rep. Burnett

00:41:41 Rep. Jones

00:42:16 Eric Bryson, MACo

00:43:52 Rep. Keane

00:45:13 Dave Galt, MSPOA

00:45:53 Rep. Bartel joined the meeting

00:46:31 Rep. Lynch

00:48:02 Dave Galt, MSPOA

00:48:14 Sheriff Mike Linder, Yellowstone County

00:49:14 Rep. Lynch

00:49:21 Sheriff Mike Linder, Yellowstone County

00:49:25 Sheriff Brian Gootkin, Gallatin County

00:50:02 Rep. Lynch

00:51:04 Dave Galt, MSPOA

00:51:13 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:51:54 Rep. Keane

00:52:10 Dave Galt, MSPOA

00:52:27 Rep. Lynch

00:52:52 Vice Chair McCarthy

00:53:34 Dave Galt, MSPOA

00:53:43 Rep. Keane
00:54:06 Dave Galt, MSPOA
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00:54:30 Chair Ballance

Closing by Sponsor:

00:54:48 Rep. Jones

HEARING ON HB 255

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:56:57 Rep. Brad Tschida (R), HD 97, opened the hearing on HB 255, Revise laws related to the governor's use of state aircraft.

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:59:26 Commissioner Jon Motl, Commissioner of Political Practices (COPP)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:01:17 Vice Chair McCarthy
01:02:15 Rep. Tschida
01:03:14 Rep. Knokey
01:03:43 Jon Motl, COPP
01:05:12 Rep. Knokey
01:05:39 Jon Motl, COPP
01:06:31 Vice Chair Brodehl
01:07:26 Jon Motl, COPP
01:09:30 Vice Chair Brodehl
01:09:44 Rep. Tschida
01:09:51 Rep. Glimm
01:10:23 Jon Motl, COPP

Closing by Sponsor:

01:11:57 Rep. Tschida

Committee Business:

01:12:23 Chair Ballance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:13:04

Sherri Row, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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